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Jamie Foxx, left, talks to Metro about his electrifying new role in "The Amazing Spider-Man 2." / NIKO TAVERNISE

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2 'Montreal Canadiens fans burn a stuffed animal bear in a Milan Lucic Bruins jersey (NSFW)'

3 'Grumpy Cat shares pearls of wisdom at second birthday party'

Teachers union, mayor agree on 'landmark' deal

Sweeping. The mayor said that the labor agreement will deliver "great progress" to New York City schools.

Mayor Bill de Blasio announced New York City's first new contract with the United Federation of Teachers since 2009, promising that the deal respects the workforce while protecting taxpayers.

At an anticipated cost of $4 billion, details on the retroactive nine-year agreement remain scarce as of Thursday evening. Even so, the mayor promised the deal would be entirely funded within his $72 billion budget's framework.

The plan calls for retroactive raises for teachers, along with a $1,000 cash bonus this year, if the deal is approved by the city's Municipal Labor Committee and ratified by UFT membership.

In return, the city projects $1 billion in health care savings by 2018 through unspecified "cost-control measures."

Agreement

"We have reached a landmark agreement for our school teachers, but, first and foremost, a landmark achievement for our families." de Blasio

"This agreement will be a gateway to great progress in our school system," de Blasio added.

Part of that arrangement includes offering teachers at low-performing schools a $5,000 bonus to stay put, with up to $20,000 in additional bonuses for teachers who help train fellow instructors on the side.

Schools Chancellor Carmen Farina also announced that up to 200 schools would be exempted from city regulations and UFT contract restrictions to "innovate" in hiring decisions and programming decisions.

Mulgrew praised de Blasio for standing by his promises after his election to put educators back in control of schools.

"That is what we have done here today," he said.

The administration's agreement with the UFT overcomes the city's largest hurdle as it proceeds in attempting to settle almost 150 contracts left unaddressed by the Bloomberg administration.

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New Yorkers march for workers' rights on May Day

A man sells Guy Fawkes masks in Union Square as demonstrators gather to march down Broadway on International Workers' Day on May 1. A number of marches and protests were held across the city to honor the day. May Day is a traditional festival to celebrate spring in many countries but is also a day that focuses on the plight of workers around the world. / GETTY IMAGES

Transit

Subway lines will undergo disruptions this weekend

Service changes may cause hassles for subway riders this weekend, particularly in Brooklyn.

The 3 line isn't operating and 2 trains won't run between Franklin and Flatbush avenues in Brooklyn. Trains on the 4 line aren't running from Atlantic Avenue to New Lots Avenue, and the J train isn't running from Marcy Avenue to Broadway Junction.

The 7 line is also out from Queensboro Plaza to Times Square.

For a complete list of disruptions, visit MTA.Info/Weekender.

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Aftermath

City says to call 311 about any flood damage

Wednesday's all-day torrential downpour soaked the city with nearly 5 inches of rain, causing flooding woes around the city.

Central Park recorded 4.97 inches, the tenth highest daily total ever recorded there, according to the National Weather Service.

Morning trains along Metro-North were still delayed after a mudslide the night before that covered tracks along the Hudson line in Yonkers.

The Office of Emergency Management said that firefighters were sent to Howard Beach after reports of waist-deep waters in pockets around the neighborhood.

The office asked on Thursday that any New Yorker whose home or business might have been impacted by the rain to report any damage to 311.

OEM promised to collect and map the data in order to assess damages and see if it might qualify for federal disaster assistance.

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Learn more about the Second Avenue subway

Dig deep. Metro took a tour of the Second Avenue Subway tunnels.

Decades ago, the Great Depression spurned the first plans for a new subway line on Manhattan's East Side. Today, the first portion of the Second Avenue Subway is about two-thirds complete. Metro took a tour in a portion of the line's tunnels on Thursday with Michael Horodniceanu, president of Metropolitan Transportation Authority Capital Construction. Here's 10 things we found out:

The first phase of the Second Avenue Subway line will open in 2016. / PATRICK CASHIN/MTA

1. New stations: The first phase of the project, expected to complete in December 2016, includes three new stations, plus a connection at Lexington Avenue/63rd Street, and will serve some 200,000 riders daily. The whole line, from 125th Street to Hanover Square, will include 16 stations in Manhattan.

2. Cost: The MTA says the first phase of the project will cost less than the $4.45 billion budget.

3. Adding to the queue: Q trains will run along the line after the first phase of the project is completed.

4. Teal train: A new train — the teal-colored T — will eventually run the whole line.

5. Grateless: The new line won't have subway grates. Air will instead be pumped out of ventilating towers.

6. Tunnel wall: After a boring machine made the tunnel, the bedrock was covered with layers of protective material. Small groups of tubes, or "nipples," are grouped along the wall so that grout can be pumped in if water is detected.

7. More liaisons: The MTA increased the number of community outreach liaisons from one to four since the project started.

8. Unburdened: The new line is meant to ease congestion on 4, 5 and 6 trains.

9. Deep below: The new tunnels are deeper than older lines.

10. Uninfested: There isn't a rat problem in the tunnels, because the vermin go where people go.

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Coney Island cop death

Teen accused of setting fatal blaze pleads not guilty

The teenager responsible for the high-rise fire in Coney Island that killed a police officer last month was arraigned in Brooklyn on Thursday.

Marcell Dockery, 16, appeared before a judge at the Brooklyn courthouse to plead not guilty to charges of second degree murder, which were upgraded after Officer Dennis Guerra died as a result of injuries sustained while he responded to the blaze.

If convicted on the murder charge, Dockery faces a maximum sentence of 25 years to life in prison.

Guerra, 38, passed away after three days of treatment for carbon monoxide poisoning and the severe smoke inhalation resulting from what investigators said was Dockery setting a mattress in the hallway of the 13th floor ablaze.

Guerra's partner, Rosa Rodriguez, remains in critical but stable condition at New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center for similar injuries.

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Public safety

After the hearing, Patrolmen's Benevolent Association President Patrick Lynch said Dockery disregarded his neighbors' and the officers' safety.

- "His indifference to the well being of others makes him a danger to society and he must be held accountable for his criminal actions and punished for the irreversible loss to the families of these two police officers," Lynch said.

Harlem. Detective is indicted for lying about cocaine bust

A 16-year veteran detective pleaded not guilty after he was indicted Wednesday for lying under oath and botching the prosecution of suspects found with two kilos of cocaine.

Said Salim, 42, and a partner stopped two men on July 13, 2009, in Central Harlem. At the time, Salim said that he stopped them because one of the two looked like an informant.

Days later, Salim told a jury he realized the man wasn't in fact the informant and instructed them to leave and take a duffel bag he saw between them.

When the men denied the bag belonged to them, Salim testified that he unzipped it to find cocaine.

The discovery prompted the officers to arrest the suspects, which prosecutors say was done without probable cause as Salim's search of the bag was unlawful, after they say he lied on the stand about when he patted the suspects down.

Salim said he didn't pat the suspects down, while prosecutors allege that video shows the officer patting them down before unzipping the bag.

The Manhattan district attorney's office said that the case against the two suspects was dismissed as a result of Salim's testimony. CHESTER JESUS SORIA

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Manhattan DA Cyrus Vance Jr.

NYC looks to turn pay phones into Wi-Fi spots

The Wi-Fi spots would make use of old pay phones. / COLOURBOX

Connected. The free hot spots would be distributed around the five boroughs.

New York City wants to replace the city's more than 7,000 pay phones and turn them into free Wi-Fi hubs.

The de Blasio administration revealed on Thursday that it would ask for proposals on how it could turn the existing network of public pay telephones into a citywide wireless network.

Even before proposals come in, the city said it will make sure whichever plan comes out on top can be distributed equally throughout the five boroughs within four years.

Mayor Bill de Blasio said that the plan, which would be overseen by the New York City Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications, answers the question of what to do with the mostly obsolete pay phone system.

The kiosks would at a minimum offer free Wi-Fi 24 hours, seven days a week within a 85-foot minimum radius of each structure. They would still also offer phone services, including free 911 and 311 calls.

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EVERYONE CHIP IN FOR CLIPPERS

Basketball fans, players, politicians and social commentators are tearing their hair out over a question. Who shall be the new owner of the Los Angeles Clippers? The potential bidders list is already a Who's Who of fame and fortune: Oprah Winfrey, Matt Damon, Floyd Mayweather, Sean Combs, and even Snoop Dogg, or Snoop Lion, or whatever name it is that he signs on checks at the moment.

Now, to be sure, it is not entirely clear that any new landlord is in the offing for the Clippers. The current owner, Donald Sterling, has been chastened by the NBA and reviled as a racist, but whether the league can force him to sell the team or if such a move would stand up in court is anyone's guess.

Oprah Winfrey is in discussions to make a bid for the Clippers. / GETTY IMAGES

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I'm not sure which one of us would get to hoist the trophy should we win a championship, but since this is my idea, I'll volunteer. I'm sure no one will object.

Still, even if he fouls out, how can we be sure the next owner won't also stumble down Sterling Avenue some day with an embarrassing or crass revelation?

Here's how: Let's all buy the team! I'll get a big bucket of some sort, and we'll each kick in a dollar. Then we'll hook up with the crowd-funding site Kickstarter, become an Internet sensation, and Bob's-your-uncle, we'll have a stake in the NBA. Talk about diversity of ownership!

Granted, with millions of us holding shares, I guess the Owner's Box for home games might be a bit tight. We'd probably have to work out some sort of lottery. I'm not sure which one of us would get to hoist the trophy should we win a championship, but since this is my idea, I'll volunteer. I'm sure no one will object.

And there is the chance we might find our own ranks infiltrated by some bigots, criminals and/or serial killers. But I've worked that out, too. Unlike the traditional "single owner" model, we could boot out thousands of people for their indiscretions, and still play on.

It is easy for people to find problems in our world, but simple solutions like this are a rarity. I don't see how this can possibly go wrong. But then I suppose that's what Donald Sterling once thought, too.

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Incidents increase

Military sexual assault reports jumped last year

Reported sexual assaults in the U.S. military jumped 50 percent last year amid a high-profile crackdown on the problem, the Pentagon said on Thursday. Officials hailed the spike as a sign that victims are increasingly confident the crime will be prosecuted.

Despite the increased focus on the problem over the past year, however, the military has continued to face embarrassing incidents in which officers have been accused of tolerating sexual misconduct rather than fighting it.

The annual study found that reported sexual assaults in the military jumped 50 percent to 5,061 in the 2013 fiscal year that ended on Sept. 30.

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This week in pictures. High flyer, sorrow, a selfie and schools of fish

1 A competitor performs an extreme motocross jump across the Shanghai skyline from the historic Bund area in Shanghai, to kick off the Kia World Extreme Games.

2 Roma boys frame themselves and smile on April 25 as they pose in the remains of a building demolished by bulldozer in a Roma suburb in the city of Plovdiv, Bulgaria.

3 Dan Wassman looks at the debris at the home site of his son, also named Dan Wassman, who was killed when a tornado destroyed his home in Vilonia, Arkansas.

4 A man gestures on a beach in Dar es Salaam, as Tanzania celebrated the 50th anniversary of Union Day, which celebrates the union of Zanzibar and Tanganyika.

5 Visitors look at fish in the aquarium inside the Chimelong Ocean Kingdom in Zhuhai. The park is said to be the world's largest ocean theme park.

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Fitness. Bob Harper's 3 moves to add to your next gym session

1 "Never underestimate how much you can get out of adding a jump rope into your workout routine. It's a great blast of cardio!"

2 "The best overall body move to add to any gym routine would be the Burpee. There is nothing better!"

3 "Grab a pair of challenging dumbbells in the gym, pop them up on your shoulders, proceed to squat deep, and as you stand back up, shoot the weight over head. This move is called a 'thruster.' Not only is it challenging, it is another total-body movement that hits you on every level." METRO

If you go

SELF Workout in the Park

Bob Harper will lead a workout and sign copies of his new book "Skinny Meals" at May 10's SELF Workout in the Park (11 a.m.-3 p.m., Central Park, rain or shine). Tickets ($30) include a one-year subscription to SELF Magazine. Get yours at www.selfworkoutinthepark.com.

Treatments offer hope for drug addiction

Help. Medical approaches are making headlines.

Recent years have seen a slew of celebrity deaths brought on by drug abuse — Philip Seymour Hoffman, Cory Monteith and Whitney Houston, to name a few. In addition to the famous faces, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that over 100 people die every day from a drug overdose. With the numbers steadily rising for two decades, medical experts are investing more and more in new devices and treatments to fight addiction. Treatments currently being explored include cocaine vaccines and smartphone apps.

The Food and Drug Administration made headlines in April with the fast-tracked approval of a hand-held device called Evzio to reverse opioid overdose. Similar to the way an EpiPen works, Evzio delivers a rapid single dose of naloxone to halt an overdose. Prior to this approval, the drug could only be administered by medical professionals. It is now being marketed to caregivers and family members.

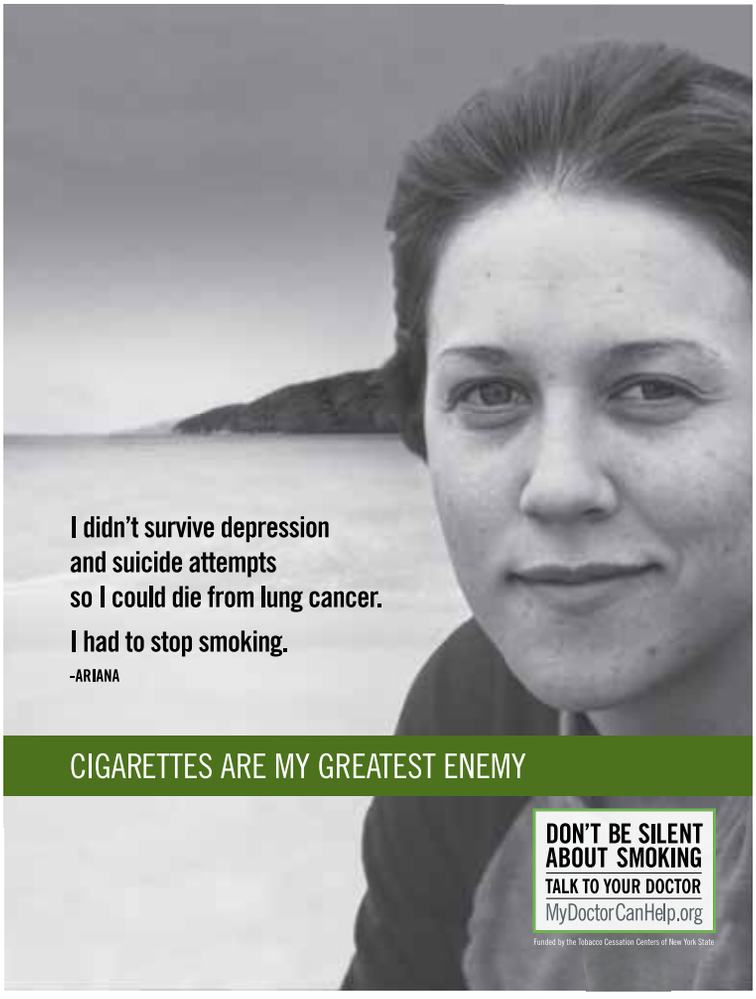
"One thing we're learning in the field is that we really have to go at this problem with everything we have, combining counseling, appropriate medications and anything else that may be helpful to our patients, such as exercise, meditation, family services and support groups," says drug-abuse expert Dr. Deni Carise, deputy chief clinical officer at CRC Health Group and adjunct clinical professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

According to Carise, one of the biggest hurdles in substance-abuse treatment is getting addicts to take new medications. Drugs such as naltrexone can be pivotal in helping patients win the battle against opioid and alcohol dependence, but many patients feel hesitant to take new drugs in order to wean themselves off of others.

Even so, Carise says the field is evolving.

"What we're seeing now is not just more medications being developed and discovered, but more acceptance of medications as a component of treatment," she says.

One such drug is baclofen, in the works to manage cocaine addiction. Originally marketed to treat muscle spasticity and spinal-cord injury, the drug is showing promising results when it comes



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A cocaine vaccine recently was tested at Cornell. "The vaccine eats up the cocaine in the blood like a little Pac-Man before it can reach the brain," Dr. Ronald G. Crystal, the lead investigator, said in a release. / FUSE

Stats

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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that more than 100 people die every day from drug overdoses.

,to protecting people from cocaine relapse. Baclofen works by targeting the circuit in the brain that's hard-wired for rewards like food and sex. This "go" circuit gets particularly revved up by a person's preferred drugs. Recent studies have shown baclofen to calm down this circuitry. Still in development, the drug helps fight cravings triggered by even the smallest cues.

"For longtime users, there are many small things in their environments that can subliminally remind them of their drug use, which eventually becomes a conscious craving," says Dr. Anna Rose Childress, research professor of psychiatry and director of the Brain-Behavioral Vulnerabilities Division in the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

"We think this volcanic eruption of craving that comes out of nowhere is triggered by things they're not even aware of on a conscious level," she adds.

For those who are battling addiction, triggers are everywhere. Fortunately, so is technology. A recent study showed that using Internet-based behavioral intervention can significantly improve treatment outcomes. The computer-assisted intervention, known as Therapeutic Education System (TES), uses problem-solving exercises with an emphasis on family relationships and social interactions. The program is made up of over 60 interactive modules that promote abstinence. TES also rewards patients with different motivational prizes if they remain drug-free. The approach aims to enhance positive reinforcement for sobriety.

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King of comedy

Cutting loose

Foxx got his start as a cast member of 'In Living Color,' and most of his first few films were broad comedies. Does he ever want to return to his sillier early work?

'Oh man, got to,' he says. 'I was on 'Jimmy Fallon' the other night, thinking, 'If I can just get back to the comedy.' But it has to be the right one. I've been pitching stuff to Will [Smith], to Kevin Hart, all these guys. If I can grab a hold of something, I'd love to do it.'

JAMIE FOXX

The Oscar winner talks about growing up with Spider-Man, playing a sympathetic villain and shooting in Times Square.

ROCKING DOWN TO ELECTRIC AVENUE

Jamie Foxx plays an outcast engineer who's turned into the villainous Electro in "The Amazing Spider-Man 2." / GETTY IMAGES

Since 2004's one-two-punch of "Collateral" and "Ray" — he won an Oscar for Best Actor for his work in the latter — Jamie Foxx hasn't had too many chances to cut loose, professionally. In "The Amazing Spider-Man 2" he gets to have fun — sort of. As Max Dillon, a frustrated, loner engineer who is turned into the Spider-Man's foil, Electro, Foxx gets to play the villain, if a tragic, sympathetic one.

What is your experience with Spider-Man?
There were only three networks when I was a kid. When "The Electric Company" came on, and Morgan Freeman was the host, they would play "Spider-Man" in between the educational stuff.

Were you reluctant to play the villain?
No! Not at all. And electricity — you can't really kill electricity. I'm hoping if they do "The Sinister Six" [the super-team of villains] that you'll be able to see him fully turn into the villain. Villains get to have more fun.

He's a very sympathetic bad guy — at least initially.
Yeah. That's what's great about the "Spider-Man" franchise: All of the villains start from another place. They're misunderstood. They're not like, "I'm going to take over the world!"

The producers have said your performance as Drew Bundini Brown in "Ali" was one reason they went with you. Did you draw on that character at all?
Maybe the look, but I drew on this guy I'd known in my community who walked around in this military jacket and was quiet and very smart. He lived with his mom. It was a little more animated in this film. Had it been a real art-house drama, maybe I would have dialed it down a bit. But I drew on him. He's a guy who's excited about Spider-Man — like, grown-man excitement. That's weird.

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Suiting up

The look

Some of the costume is created with special effects. What did they actually do to you on set?
It was blue silicone over me. Then they would CGI the rest. It was four and a half hours of this s— every day. It was cool, though.

There's a set piece in Times Square, some of which you shot in the actual Times Square. Did people recognize you under the costume?
I had a hoodie on. When people found out it was me — New York is hilarious. People came up and were like, "Yo, Foxx, here's my mix tape."

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More than just superheroes

Indie spotlight

JOAQUIN PHOENIX STARS IN "THE IMMIGRANT." THE WEINSTEIN COMPANY

'The Immigrant'

(May)
New York enthusiast James Gray ("We Own the Night") heads to the 1920s, with a desperate Polish woman (Marion Cotillard) seized upon by a pimp (Joaquin Phoenix).

Also in May

Jon Favreau goes from comic book movies to cooking in **"Chef";** one of Philip Seymour Hoffman's last performances is in **"God's Pocket,"** directed by John Slattery; Jesse Eisenberg gets a smarmy doppelganger in Richard Ayoade's **"The Double"**; Swede tweens from 1982 do up **"We Are the Best!"**

May and June. From May through August, moviegoers can feast upon a wide variety of cinematic junk.

'Godzilla'

(May 16)
High-concept premise: The fire-breathing, rampaging lizard of Japanese cinema is back — only it's nothing like the campy 1998 one that no one likes because it's just awful.
Superpower: The cast is nothing to sneeze at: Bryan Cranston, Elizabeth Olsen, Sally Hawkins, David Strathairn and, holy crap, Juliette Binoche is in this? The tone is as serious as the Japanese version of the 1954 original, which is quite grim.
Weakness: Director Gareth Edwards' "Monsters" was an attempt at a subversive monster movie that ended up packed with indie cliches. So this could get too dour. Ambition is cool and everything, but let's not forget, this is still freakin' Godzilla.

'X-Men: Days of Future Past'

(May 23)
High-concept premise: The X-Men Babies prequels soldier on, and if you're sick of young and dashing Magneto, don't worry: Wolverine and many others from the first three films have been shoehorned into this.
Superpower: Topping even that of "Godzilla," this has the best cast of any summer movie, with Michael Fassbender, Jennifer Lawrence, Patrick Stewart, Ian McKellen, plus Peter Dinklage and Omar Sy ("The Intouchables").
Weakness: This sounds like a lot of characters to deal with only 130 minutes. Good luck with that.

'Maleficent'

(May 30)
High-concept premise: It's the "Sleeping Beauty" story, but from the perspective of the villain (Angelina Jolie) who turns into a dragon at the end.
Superpower: "Maleficent" is one of Disney's most visually striking villains, and Jolie is hammy enough to bring the menace without garnering too much sympathetic.
Weakness: Let's hope this doesn't turn into another funereal, serious twist on a movie that used to be fun.

Zac Efron takes his shirt off in "Neighbors." / UNIVERSAL PICTURES

Party down

'Neighbors'

(May 9)
High-concept premise: Seth Rogen and Rose Byrne play suburbanites peeved at the frat that's just moved next door (run by Zac Efron).
Superpower: Director Nicholas Stoller made "Forgetting Sarah Marshall," one of the better Judd Apatow films.
Weakness: Is Zac Efron funny? "That Awkward Moment" would indicate no.

'22 Jump Street'

(June 13)
High-concept premise: Hope you liked the 2012 movie "21 Jump Street," which had zero affection for the '80s TV show and just played it as a comedy and a showcase for Channing Tatum's surprising comic chops.
Superpower: It's really easy to like the first one because it's actually pretty great. And filmmakers Phil Lord and Chris Miller are on a roll: Three months ago they brought us the bizarrely overachieving "The Lego Movie."
Weakness: Could Lord and Miller have burned out? This sounds like a repeat, although the addition of Richard Grieco is a nice touch.

'Transformers: Age of Extinction'

(June 27)
High-concept premise: Shia LaBeouf and that model he was banging are no more — the franchise about giant robots with millions of headache-inducing parts has decided to move on to Marky Mark.
Superpower: "Transformers" now comes with 100 percent less Shia.
Weakness: Mark Wahlberg looks awful solemn in the press images, considering this is a Michael Bay movie about BattleBots.

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"A TRIUMPH."
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Indie spotlight

ELLAR COLTRANE STARS IN "BOYHOOD." / IFC

'Boyhood'

(July 11)
Shot over 12 years, Richard Linklater brings us the story about a kid (Ellar Coltrane, cast in 2002, when he was 7 years old), whose parents (Ethan Hawke and Patricia Arquette) split.

Also

"Life Itself," the story of one of cinema's most passionate champions, Roger Ebert, will make you cry (July 11); **"The Trip to Italy"** finds "The Trip"'s Steve Coogan and Rob Brydon again doing their eating-and-impersonations thing (Aug. 15); **"Love is Strange"** stars Alfred Molina and John Lithgow as partners forced to live apart (Aug. 22).

July and August.

Up for your enjoyment are apes, talking raccoons and ScarJo controlling the universe.

'Dawn of the Planet of the Apes'

(July 11)
High-concept premise: Further ignoring the nutty slave allegory back story from the 1970s "Apes" movie cycle, this second in the series reboot finds Andy Serkis' CGI chimp rebel witnessing the final throes of humanity.
Superpower: The "Apes" movies have potential for searing commentary, as the originals thoroughly exploited.
Weakness: The first, "Rise," missed all opportunities to express anything deep. But it was cool and well-crafted and featured a great motion-capture performance by Serkis.

'They Came Together'

(July 27)
High-concept premise: Amy Poehler is a small-business owner about to lose her shop to a corporate shark played by Paul Rudd in this rom-com parody.
Superpower: Former "State" maven David Wain returns to his "Wet Hot American Summer" spoof days.
Weakness: People might not see it, meaning Wain will have trouble making more movies, which will be sad.

Paint it black

'Sin City: A Dame to Kill For'

(Aug. 22)
High-concept premise: It only took nine years, but Robert Rodriguez and Frank Miller finally got around to doing more from the latter's noir-fetishist anthology crime series.
Superpower: This time it brings into the fray Eva Green, who earlier this year tore into another Miller comics sequel, "300: Rise of an Empire."
Weakness: Miller has turned into a reactionary crank in old age. Perhaps you didn't read "Holy Terror," his comic about killing Muslim terrorists?

Mickey Rourke revisits his 9-year-old triumph in "Sin City: A Dame to Kill For." / THE WEINSTEIN COMPANY

'Guardians of the Galaxy'

(Aug. 1)
High-concept premise: You know at the end of "Thor: The Dark World" where they cut to Benicio del Toro in a goofy costume and you were like, "This picture thinks I'm supposed to know who this is," and then a few nerds hooted? Well, he's in this Marvel cinematic effort about superheroes in space, which includes a talking raccoon.
Superpower: This features actual superpowers — and Chris Pratt.
Weakness: When the comic book movie burnout comes, it's going to be bloody.

'Lucy'

(Aug. 8)
High-concept premise: Scarlett Johansson is poisoned by a drug that gives her increasing command over her brain and the universe.
Superpower: So it's "Limitless," but as an action film made by Euro-trash auteur Luc Besson and starring that actress who was in the amazing "Under the Skin"? This sounds like the only big movie we're excited for this summer!
Weakness: Besson works fast and doesn't usually care about craft. This could waste a promising premise — or it could just be modest, slimy, weirdly right-wing fun, a la "Taken."

'Leprechaun: Origins'

(Aug. 29)
High-concept premise: If you saw "Leprechaun" and thought, "What are his origins, and could he be darker or sadder or both?" and also wished he was played by a wrestler (Dylan Postl) — then giddy up.
Superpower: This has to be a joke.
Weakness: What if it's not a joke?

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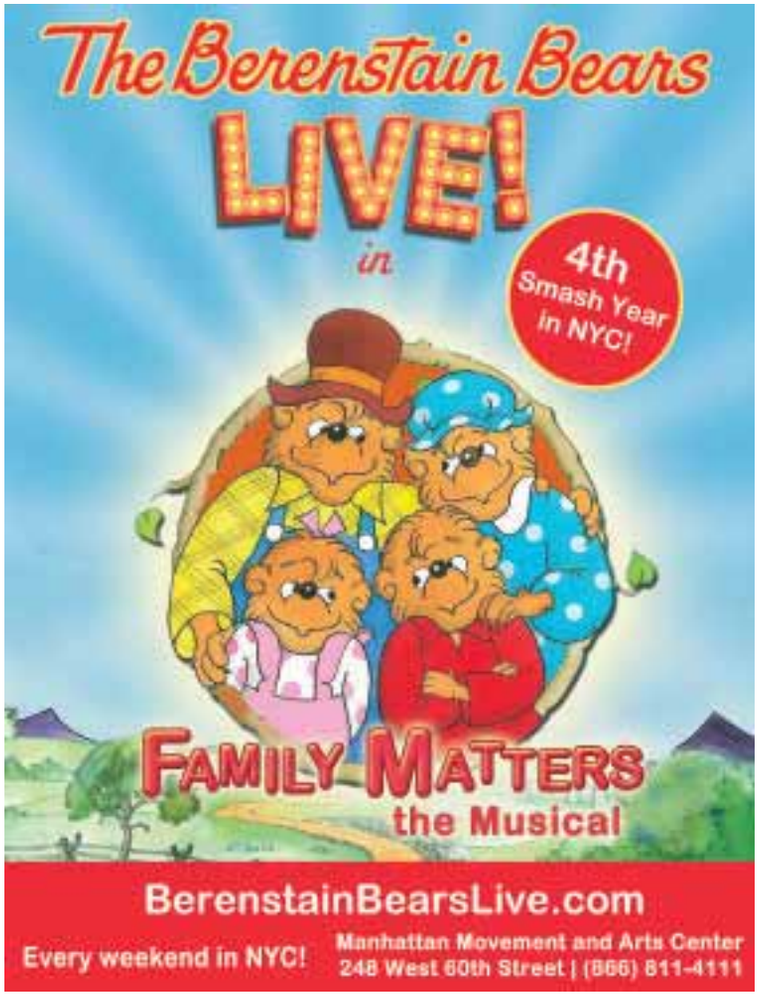

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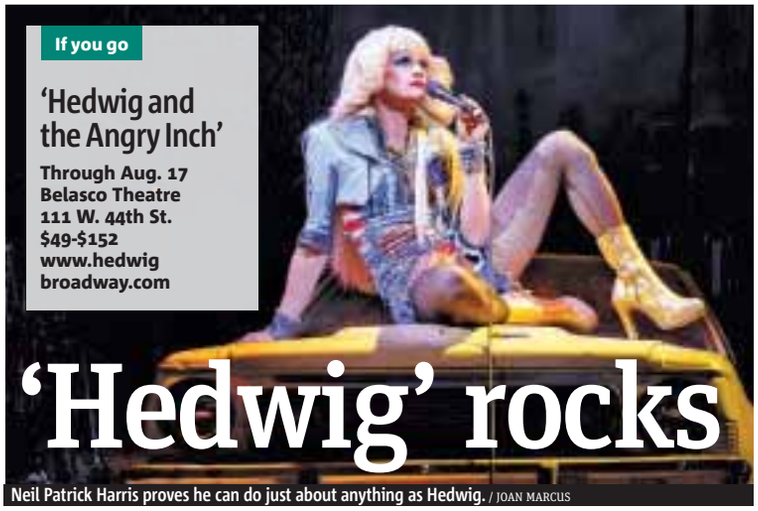
Theater. Cult favorite "Hedwig and the Angry Inch" makes it on Broadway.



If you go

'Hedwig and the Angry Inch'

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'Hedwig' rocks

Neil Patrick Harris proves he can do just about anything as Hedwig. / JOAN MARCUS

Watching "Hedwig" only makes it more incredulous that Neil Patrick Harris never before helmed his own Broadway show, but even more apparent that he waited to find just the right vehicle and the right time to take center stage.

Our Friday night showing of "Hedwig and the Angry Inch" was full of boisterous, hard-core fans. Some were there for NPH rather than the musical, and there were also plenty of people going in blind, just enthusiastic to see a hugely hyped rock 'n' roll musical. Everyone was having a great time well before the first musician stepped on stage. By the time NPH descended from the rafters in his blonde wig? Forget it.

What follows is an uninterrupted 100-minute rock show with songs following the narrative of the life and times of Hedwig, born Hansel, who nearly completed a sex change in the 1980s in order to bypass the Berlin Wall and come to America. The operative word there is "near," since, as we come to find out, the operation was botched. Hence the angry inch, for which Hedwig's present back-up band is named. But hey, she made it over here to play this "one-night-only" concert just for us in Times Square! Yes, the play makes conceits to play out in present-day NYC. Well, by that we mean terrible jokes about "The Lion King," so really it's just groan-worthy humor for tourists, as per on the Great White Way.

But don't let that detract from the essence of the play: It does hold up 16 years after it originally played off-Broadway and 13 years since the movie, starring creator John Cameron Mitchell. NPH is no JCM, but you have to forgive him for that. There's no doubt that he's giving it his all in every single moment.

As the play winds down, we also get to see a little more of the talented five-person band and a lot more of the exceptionally talented Lena Hall, who's rightfully just been nominated for a Tony Award for her work as Hedwig's "husband." Director Michael Mayer also earned a nod. And, yes, Neil Patrick Harris has been nominated, too — but was there ever any doubt?

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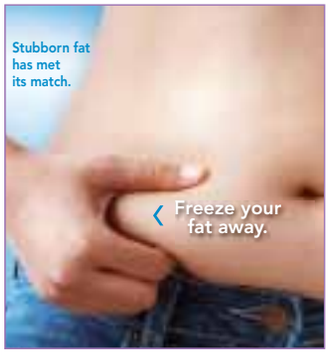

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You won't find any hipsters in Chvrches

Chvrches play sold out shows at Terminal 5 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. / PROVIDED

Preaching to the converted. This Scottish trio aren't very cool, which is partly what makes them so cool.

Though Chvrches' first single, "Lies," appeared to drop from nowhere to a flurry of click-happy fans on YouTube, the members have all done time with other outfits.

"Some people might perceive us as a band that has broken in a year and has gone from nothing to sizeable venues everywhere, but that's not the truth behind the personalities in the band," says keyboardist Martin Doherty. "You can't get to this point in your career without understanding what it means to go through seven levels of s—."

The band also includes guitarist Iain Cook and singer Lauren Mayberry, whose otherworldly siren-like vocals coupled with the band's perky 1980s synth has taken their debut album "The Bones of What You Believe" from must-have desktop download to venue floor-filler. In conversation as on stage, the members of this Scottish band have a palpable rapport. But unlike the images they might project on stage, they defiantly insist that they are not cool.

Mayberry shares an anecdote: "A friend said to me recently, 'Technically you have all the hallmarks of what could be a hipster, but I know what you're really like and I can't think of anyone less hipsterish.'"

"I'm a card-carrying nerd," boasts Cook.

Doherty seeks to differentiate himself: "I have a high level of technical understanding."

And with this, Mayberry leans into him and says, "That's exactly what a nerd would say. It's interesting to know things."

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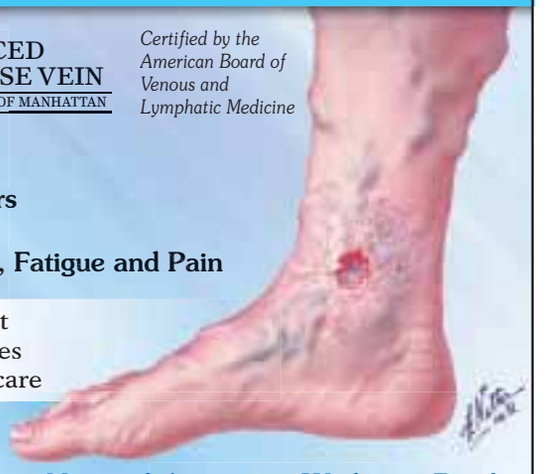

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Horoscope

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Get serious about your career goals. The position you desire is there for the taking. Get working to obtain whatever qualifications you need.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Things may not turn out as you expected. Avoid an emotional outburst by taking a step back, and look at the facts objectively.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. Rumors and speculation could seriously hurt your reputation. Choose your confidants carefully, or you could have a real problem.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Examine your motives before offering your leadership services. The situation should be of benefit to all concerned, not just to you.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. You need to work on solitary projects today. Keep a low profile. Confrontations are likely if you are trying to deal with friends.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. This will be an educational day for you. Be prepared to listen to people with more experience. You could learn about strategies that can improve your future.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Carefully deal with authority figures on legal or health issues. Ask questions and obtain the necessary information.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Tensions will mount if your intentions are misunderstood. Be considerate toward others, but clear and concise.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20. A prospective career move should be put on hold for the moment. Your peers will be glad to give you a hand if you are willing to ask for help.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18. It's time for pampering. You will feel revived if you get together with someone you love. A change of scenery will do you good.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. A current personal dilemma should be shared. If a family situation has deteriorated, an outside perspective may shed light.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Delve into unfamiliar territory. Keep your mind open to new experiences. Lucrative possibilities could be the result of an educational trip. BERNICE BEDE OSOL

Sudoku: Easy and hard

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Letters

Don't let the bad triumph

Re: 'These saints are marching in a little early' (Metro, April 30)
I have to feel a little sad for letter writer Charles Hall. It's almost like he's letting the bad guys win. He has admitted that he is a "nonbelieving former Catholic." I don't mean to pick on Mr. H. here. Rather, I'd like to highlight something that is bothering me: good people turning away from their faiths because of the unjust acts of other people. It is horrible what happened to the abuse victims, the years of trauma and suffering. But our faith is our foundation. People will always try to shake that foundation and bring us down.
ANTHONY LA ROSE, VIA EMAIL

Everyone's a little racist

The NBA made the wrong call on banning Clippers owner Donald Sterling. As an American citizen by birth and a proud black American at that, I thought the NBA was wrong to ban owner Donald Sterling for life, because the reality is that we all make racist comments and discriminate against each other depending on the circumstances. Whites discriminate, blacks discriminate, Hispanics discriminate, and so do others. We are living in an imperfect world. Mr. Sterling should fight this ban.
ALTHEA GARRISON, BOSTON

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1 Moves like molasses
6 Fixes, as lipstick
11 Sci. class
14 Rivulet
15 Insect stage
16 Portion of a circle
17 Sarcasm
18 Just right
19 Pollen spreader
20 Mammoth
22 Booster rocket
24 Kind of rice
28 Make rough
30 Break a promise
31 Mandalay's locale
32 Extra inning
33 Is smitten by (2 wds.)
36 Ovid's greeting
37 Too quick
38 Wish undone
40 Squeezes out
43 Aussie minerals
45 Ruses
46 Lets up
47 Bungalows
50 Come before
51 Former Notre Dame coach Lou —
52 Room service item
53 Nest-egg letters
54 Where Goa is
57 PC chip maker
62 Natural elev.
63 Deep black
64 Peachy keen
65 Sajak of TV
66 Goes ballistic
67 Civet cousin

Down
1 "Shogun" apparel
2 Bruin ice great
3 Where tigers pace
4 Untold centuries
5 Like some prices (hyph.)
6 "Bounty" captain
7 Put cargo aboard
8 Copper source
9 Water-power org.
10 Very low bows
11 Neonates
12 Sherlock's lady friend
13 Globe feature
21 Purpose
23 — Zeppelin
24 Baja Ms.
25 Vex
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27 Mosquito —
28 Extremist sects
29 Paris airport
31 They turn litmus blue
33 Withers away
34 Sound off
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47 Tarzan's Cheetah
48 Major artery
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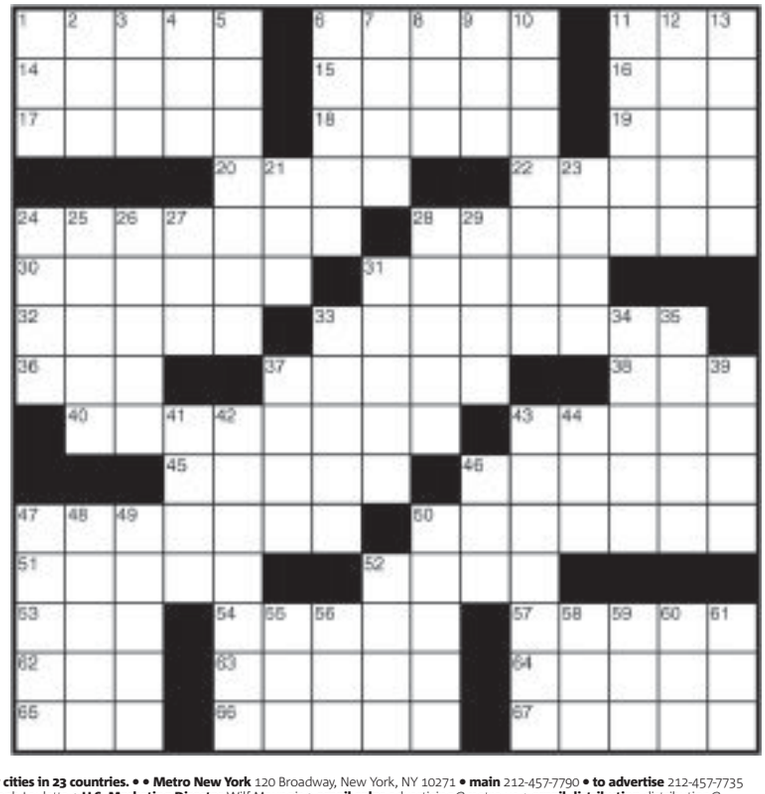

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No. 5

OUR PICK

California Chrome (5-2)

Jockey: Victor Espinoza
Trainer: Art Sherman

No horse from the Golden State has won the Kentucky Derby since 1962, but there's plenty of shine to this entry. Winner of his last four starts, including the Santa Anita Derby against Candy Boy, California Chrome is physically impressive with a long gait and good speed. He had an impressive breeze this weekend and is peaking at the right time.
Superfecta: 5-10-4-1

The Kentucky Derby races out of the gate on NBC Saturday at 6:24 p.m. / GETTY IMAGES

No. 1

Vicar's in Trouble (20-1)

Jockey: Rosie Napravnik
Trainer: Michael Maker

There are some things to like, including five finishes in the money in as many starts.

No. 2

Harry's Holiday (50-1)

Jockey: Corey Lanerie
Trainer: Michael Maker

He had a good break at the Blue Grass, among the leaders, but not enough quality here.

No. 3

Uncle Sigh (30-1)

Jockey: Irad Ortiz Jr.
Trainer: Gary Contessa

Intriguing odds but a disappointing fifth at the Wood Memorial showed some flaws.

No. 4

Danza (10-1)

Jockey: Joe Bravo
Trainer: Todd Pletcher

With two wins in four starts, Danza runs consistently in the top three, but may not have the speed.

No. 6

Samraat (15-1)

Jockey: Jose Ortiz
Trainer: Rick Violette Jr.

If Samraat is near the leaders at the final turn, he can make a late push, but he has to time it right.

No. 7

We Miss Artie (50-1)

Jockey: Javier Castellano
Trainer: Todd Pletcher

He ran a distant eighth to Wildcat Red in February's Fountain of Youth, but rebounded well.

No. 8

General A Rod (15-1)

Jockey: Joel Rosario
Trainer: Michael Maker

He beat Wildcat Red at Gulfstream on New Year's Day, but has struggled since then.

No. 9

Vinceremos (30-1)

Jockey: Joe Rocco Jr.
Trainer: Todd Pletcher

Followed a win at the Sam F. Davis and second in Tampa with a disappointing last at the Blue Grass.

No. 10

Wildcat Red (15-1)

Jockey: Luis Saez
Trainer: Jose Garoffalo

Wildcat Red faded with a hard-charging Constitution pressing on at the Florida Derby.

No. 12

Dance With Fate (20-1)

Jockey: Corey Nakatani
Trainer: Peter Eurton

He put up a tremendous push at the Blue Grass Stakes a couple weeks ago, coming from the back of the pack to make a wide run.

No. 13

Chitu (20-1)

Jockey: Martin Garcia
Trainer: Bob Baffert

Three wins in his last four races looks promising, but that was against weak competition. A top-half finish would be good.

No. 14

Medal Count (20-1)

Jockey: Robby Albarado
Trainer: Dale Romans

He's had sporadic finishes, though a recent second at the Blue Grass was a boost.

No. 15

Tapiture (15-1)

Jockey: Ricardo Santana Jr.
Trainer: Steve Asmussen

Coming off a weak fourth-place showing at the Arkansas Derby, this is a tough class for this horse.

No. 16

Intense Holiday (12-1)

Jockey: John Velazquez
Trainer: Todd Pletcher

He has run in six straight graded stakes races and never finished worse than fifth.

No. 17

Commanding Curve (50-1)

Jockey: Shaun Bridgmohan
Trainer: Dallas Stewart

He overcame a slow start at the Louisiana Derby to take third behind Vicar's in Trouble and Intense Holiday. With a strong start, he can be near the leaders.

No. 18

Candy Boy (15-1)

Jockey: Gary Stevens
Trainer: John Sadler

Candy Boy ran a respectable third to California Chrome in the Santa Anita Derby, but may be a bit too slow to contend here.

No. 19

Ride on Curlin (15-1)

Jockey: Calvin Borel
Trainer: William Gowan

He looked strong in Arkansas a few weeks ago, coming in second place.

No. 20

Wicked Strong (8-1)

Jockey: Rajiv Maragh
Trainer: James A. Jerkens

His Wood Memorial win makes him a contender, but his post position may be his biggest obstacle.

No. 21

Pablo Del Monte (50-1)

Jockey: Jeffrey Sanchez
Trainer: Wesley Ward

The alternate, for Hoppertunity at post 11, is an intriguing add, but will likely be out of the money.

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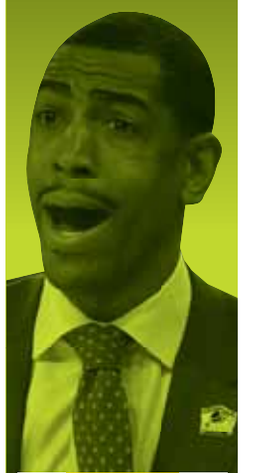

La-La land

Calipari, Ollie top Lakers wish list

With Mike D'Antoni abruptly resigning as Lakers head coach on Wednesday, the team appears to be looking to the college ranks to fill the vacancy. Multiple reports indicate Los Angeles will contact UConn head coach Kevin Ollie, who just won the national championship last month, and Kentucky head coach John Calipari, who lost in the title game. Calipari previously coached the Nets, while Ollie played 13 seasons in the NBA.

On blast

Kidd unhappy with officials in Game 5

Jason Kidd wasn't specifically asked about officiating in Game 5 but unprompted he referred to Joe Johnson attempting only one free throw as "mind-boggling."

Kidd was then asked if he would encourage Johnson to sell the contact a little more for emphasis.

"If flopping is the way to go then we have to maybe play the game," Kidd said. "But Joe is a strong individual and unfortunately, he doesn't flop. He plays and he doesn't complain. But that's why we have officials — for them to make calls."

Kidd said he felt guard Shaun Livingston was fouled directly in front of the officials on the last possession and the Nets didn't get a call.

"That's their interpretation," Kidd said. "We got to keep attacking. If there's no call made, we got to keep playing. We can't fall into complaining. We just got to play the game and if it's called, it's called."

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KIDD WAS UNHAPPY WITH DEMAR DEROZAN AND KYLE LOWRY GETTING 23 FREE-THROW ATTEMPTS IN GAME 5. GETTY IMAGES

Nets hope ending of Game 5 carries over

NBA playoffs. The Nets need a home win to keep their season alive.

If the Nets are going to extend their season to Sunday, then head coach Jason Kidd hopes the fourth quarter from Game 5 will have a carryover effect.

"We have to build on that fourth quarter," head coach Jason Kidd said during Thursday's conference call. "We did a lot of good things offensively but also defensively. We did some of the good things when we got stops and we were attacking but we got to start the game off that way [Friday] night. We got to be in attack mode for 48 minutes."

Despite being down by as many as 26, the Nets still had a chance to return home Friday for Game 6 with a chance to close out the series. Highly paid veterans Paul Pierce and Kevin Garnett, acquired for three draft picks last offseason, were firmly attached to the bench while Brooklyn overcame that deficit, before finally losing 115-113.

"This is about the Brooklyn Nets," Kidd said, when asked about not playing the veterans the entire fourth quarter. "This is not about two guys on the team and those guys were cheering on the guys that were on the floor."

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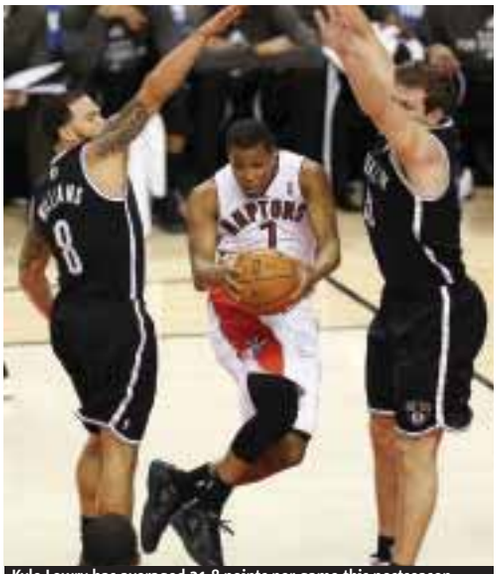

Kyle Lowry has averaged 21.8 points per game this postseason. Game 6 is Friday at 7 p.m. (my9, ESPN2). / GETTY IMAGES

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